May 19, 2009

JEFFERSON COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT LOCAL/STATE BOARD FACILITIES HEARING REPORT DISTRICT FACILITY PLAN

A Local/State Public Hearing was held at the C. B. Young Service Center on May 18, 2009, at 5:31 p.m. (local time). The purpose of the public hearing was to propose a new District Facility Plan developed by the Jefferson County Public Schools Local Planning Committee. The Local Planning Committee (LPC) voted 9-0 in favor of the proposed new plan on April 28, 2009, and the Jefferson County Board of Education voted 7-0 to approve the new plan on May 11, 2009.

Although the Local/State Public Hearing was advertised in the legal/public notice section of *The Courier Journal* on May 2, 2009, no member of the public sector was in attendance. Michael A. Mulheirn, Executive Director, Facilities/Transportation, served as the locally-appointed hearing officer.

COMMENTS

Mr. Mulheirn called the public hearing to order. As hearing officer, he outlined the purpose of the hearing and the hearing procedures in accordance with 702 KAR 4:180. It was explained that those persons wishing to speak would be given the opportunity and that written statements would be accepted. It was also noted that all considerations will be made available to the Kentucky Board of Education via the hearing officer's report. The hearing officer explained how the proposed new District Facility Plan (DFP) was devised with the help of the Local Planning Committee that is made up of teachers, parents, a school board member, members of the business community, and school administrators. The LPC established the criteria for the DFP. The plan was then devised per the direction of the LPC using all the various methods of inspection that we employ throughout the school year. Each individual plan was submitted to the school principal to be shared with the Site-Based Decision Making committee, the PTA, staff, and any other interested parties. Each school reported back on its proposed plan. All this information was reviewed and incorporated into the DFP, which was then approved by the Jefferson County Board of Education. Since that time, the Kentucky Department of Education reviewed the DPF and made recommendations, adding gymnasiums and other spaces, which the LPC has now agreed to add to the plan.

The floor was opened to those who wished to make a statement. No one was in attendance; there was neither verbal nor written testimony for the record.

RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that the new District Facility Plan developed by the Jefferson County Public Schools Local Planning Committee and adopted by the Jefferson County Board of Education be approved as the District Facility Plan for the Jefferson County Public School District. A copy of the new plan is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

Reviewed by,

Michael A. Mulheirn, Hearing Officer

Timothy K. Lucas, KDE, Facilities Management

ce: Mark W. Ryles, Director Planning File

Attachments: Jefferson County Public Schools District Facility Plan